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1. An increase in the anti-Soviet attitude among the civilian and military personnel of the SMA Saxony is noticeable, yet discipline is better than in 1948.
2. Many arrests have been made lately of personnel in SMA Saxony. During the first four months of this year, forty-nine Communist Party members alone have been arrested. As a result of this purge there has been much grumbling and dissatisfaction among Soviet personnel.
3. SMA Germany employs approximately 13,000 who are CP members, of whom more than 1,200 were called before party courts in 1948.
4. On order of the Soviet Commander-in-Chief* all secret documents dated from 1945 to 1948 inclusive that have no present interest are to be destroyed.
5. The incidence of civilian and military personnel who return to the USSR on furlough and who do not return to their posts in Germany is on the increase. Their officers are notified that they are being detained in the USSR.

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* [REDACTED] Comment: Presumably of SMA Germany.

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